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# University: 'no shuttle needed'

## Students struggle to find parking, some turn to carpooling

**BY TERRIE HENDERSON**
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The commencement of the spring semester brings new courses, new students and new expectations to the halls of PUC, but some old issues continually resurface. One of those issues is parking.

While the parking garage is still on schedule to open in time for the beginning of the fall 2005 semester, students this semester may encounter hardships while looking for a spot to park.

At the beginning of the fall 2004 semester, the university instituted the Park and Ride Shuttle Service, which was a complimentary shuttle bus from the Woodmar Mall parking lot to PUC, in an attempt to alleviate some of the parking woes of students unable to park on campus for classes due to an overflowing lot of vehicles.

This semester, Wes Lukoshus, assistant vice chancellor for advancement and university relations, said no shuttle is being offered because of a pattern of an enrollment drop from the fall semester to the spring semester.

Lukoshus indicated that during fall 2003, enrollment was 9,128. The following semester, spring 2004, that number dropped to an enrollment of 8,513.

Lukoshus said that a reason for the enrollment drop is that many people graduate in the fall semester.

"The big crunch (for enrollment) is in the fall," Lukoshus said.

Lukoshus also mentioned that although the total enrollment for spring 2005 has not yet be calculated due to late registration dates that extended into the first week of the semester. The university expects fewer enrollments this semester than last.

Lukoshus said the shuttle that was offered last semester had "mixed results."

He said that although the shuttle provided transportation, the numbers were not very high on the amount of people who actually used the option.

This semester there should be adequate parking on campus for all students, said Lukoshus.

Richie Studniarz, an undecided freshman, said that parking does not seem that bad to him, but he comes early in the morning.

"That's the secret," Studniarz said. "It gets worse later in the day."

But Heather Weber, an elementary education sophomore, said even in the morning, parking is challenging.

She said she always heard that morning parking was better, but when she arrived for Tuesday classes the first week of school, there was no where to park.

"I circled three times, and then found a spot on the street by the construction (of the parking garage) and ran," Weber said.

Weber said when she returned to campus on Thursday, she had more luck in the parking lot south of SFLC. She also mentioned that she came much earlier.

"No matter what, unless you come really early you are not going to get a good spot unless you get lucky," she said.

Chris Jeter, sophomore majoring in business, said his solution to parking is carpooling.

Jeter mentioned that in the fall 2004 semester, he was always late to class because he was unable to find parking. Jeter said he would drive around for what was sometimes 45- minutes.

Jeter started carpooling with a friend so that he would not have to park illegally off campus to get to class.

Since then, he said he has not had to worry about parking.

"If a lot of students would carpool that would open the parking lot up a whole lot," Jeter said. "Even if you had everyone bring one person that would open up half the lot."

photo by Elizabeth Wilkinson

**Construction on the new parking garage that is due to be done for the fall of 2005 semester *is doing nothing to help students find parking spots this semester.***

# Student organizations getting the word out

## Welcome Week helps students get involved

**BY ELIZABETH WILKINSON**
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Students who walked into the SFLC concourse last week probably heard loud music and saw more people converging than normal. That's because PUC hosted Welcome Week last week from Tuesday, Jan. 20 until Thursday, Jan. 22.

Welcome Week is an event held every semester during which student organizations have tables in hopes of getting the word out and trying to find new members, for their organizations. This semester all types of student organizations from sports to Greek Life to religious groups and everyone in between were represented at Welcome Week. Most students involved felt that the event was beneficial to their organization in one way or another.

Students taking part in Welcome Week felt that the event was good not only for the students, but for the entire school. Candi Long, a junior majoring in pre-medicine, believes that Welcome Week is a good way for new students to get acquainted with PUC's campus. Long is active in Minority Association on Premedical Students, also known as MAPS.

*""Welcome Week is a great way to get new members,"*

**Micheal Hill**

"Welcome Week welcomes new students and shows them that we are friendly here," said Long. She said that at some schools the students are not as nice as they are at PUC. Long also said their organization has had several people interested in joining as a result of Welcome Week. In addition, MAPS just started this semester, and getting word out about the organization through Welcome Week was beneficial for the group, said Long.

Some groups offer free items to draw people and interest to their table. Intervarsity Christian Fellowship offered free water with their information on the label as a way to draw people to their table, according to Amy Ferguson, a freshman majoring in elementary education. The group also had colorful flyers posted around campus as another way of getting people interested. Other groups offered popcorn, cotton candy, pencils, stickers and various literature about their organization as incentive to visit their table.

Student Government Association had a dart board where students who registered to vote got a chance to throw a dart for a prize. Graduate aid Eve Bottando said that she feels having the dartboard helped generate interest in SGA, and appreciated that students took the time to register to vote in the SGA elections. Being enrolled at PUC gives students a right to vote, registering was just to generate interest and for fun, said Bottando. Some other activities organizations offered were a caricaturist and video games.

Overall, students who were at tables saw the event as positive for their group and felt that this semesters Welcome Week was going well. Purdue University Gamers Guild president Joe Lesny said a few people had shown interest in the group during Welcome Week. He was happy with the groups decision to take part in the event.

"We decided to get our group out in the open because it takes away the intimidation," Lesny said.

People are often intimidated to join OUGG because they feel like they will not know how to play the games as well as the people who are already members but there is not a need to feel intimidated, Lesny said.

Some students wanted to make new friends and promote their groups, but also felt that they were serving a purpose in helping out. Michael Hill, a freshman majoring in elementary education, says that Welcome Week is a great way to get word out about the group he is involved in. Hill is also involved in New Life Ministries.

"Welcome Week is a great way to get new members," said Hill. "I'm here to serve Jesus." Hill also said it seemed like several people were interested in joining the group and he felt Welcome Week was going great.

Students from groups all over campus spent the week getting to know new students and getting word about their organizations. According to those organizations, overall, Welcome Week was a success for students and the university in general.


**SPORTS: Peregrines withstand Saints** **ENTERTAINMENT: Golden Globes Recap**

## ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

# Tech Center provides student internship opportunities

*The Purdue Technology Center of Northwest Indiana, which recently opened its doors in Merrillville to provide opportunities for new and existing businesses, can do something for you, too.*

The Purdue Technology Center is an incubator that helps high-tech established and start-up companies develop new projects and grow. For students, this can mean internships and job possibilities.

"There are wonderful benefits to the students," said Kathy DeGuilio-Fox, business development manager for the Purdue Technology Center.

According to DeGuilio-Fox, most of the tech center's tenants will use interns. The Purdue Calumet tech center internship program will be coordinated by DeGuilio-Fox through the Center for Career and Leadership Development, located in Room 349 of the Student Faculty Library Center.

Plans call for interns to be recruited for the current spring semester, upcoming summer session and following semesters.

"Not only do we want interns to work on projects to get a 'hands on' education," she said, "but also we want to get them in on the bottom floor so that if, after graduation, there is an employment opportunity they can continue to be a part of the company or project here at the Technology Center."

The internships will be paid by the companies in partnership with the Lily-funded Interns for Indiana program.

"One of the purposes of having the tech center is not only to develop new technologies and new employment opportunities for Northwest Indiana," DeGuilio-Fox said, "but to reverse the brain drain we've experienced in Indiana by letting students interact and be a part of these opportunities."

The incoming client firms are: Advanced Concepts and Technology, International LLC (ACT-I), Brogan Pharmaceuticals LLC, Spectral Data Inc., NuVant Systems Inc., ProLogic Inc., 21st Century Systems and Sierra Nevada Corp.

U.S. Rep. Pete Visclosky (D-Ind.) secured $6.9 million in federal funding for the two-story, 48,000-square-foot building's construction and initial operating costs. He also helped recruit four of the charter ventures to the center.

The Purdue Technology Center is a project of the Purdue Technology Foundation, which also manages the award-winning Purdue Research Park in West Lafayette.

The Technology Center ties in with one of Purdue Calumet's strategic goals—Goal 4: Expand our partnership role for advancing positive change and economic growth in our region. Under this goal is Key Strategy I: Develop a technology and business center as a source of knowledge transfer for economic development; applied research in serving business, government and industry; and furthering diversification of the region's economy.

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# What's Goin' On?

## A look around campus

### Orientation Department seeks new leaders

The Orientation Department is looking for 25-30 orientation leaders. The position pays $7.50 an hour, and students will work 15-20 days over the summer. Becoming an orientation leader is a great way to gain leadership experience, improve presentation skills, and meet new friends. To apply go to www.calumet.purdue.edu/ccld/puc101 or fill out an application in person at SFLC 349. For more information contact Beth at (219) 989-4160 or tuckere@calumet.purdue.edu

### PUGG seeks members

Purdue University Gamers' Guild is seeking new members. PUGG holds meetings on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays throughout the semester. PUGG will be continuing the game Vampire: The Masquerade, a game set in Spain and partly told in Spanish. The game is still accepting new members. For more information contact pucPUGG@yahoo.com

### Chancellor invites students to reading circle

The Center for Career and Leadership Development is seeking students interested in taking part in the Chancellor's Reading Circle on Thurs. March 24, from 7-9:00 p.m. Faculty member, Maureen Mathaler, will facilitate a discussion of the book "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime" by Mark Haddon. Books are provided. If interested contact The Center for Career and Leadership Development at 989-2369 or SFLC *324-G to register.*

### Students invited to play intramural Extreme 'Prison Style' Dodgeball.

Intramural extreme prison style dodge ball will take place in the gym Feb. 1, 8, 16 and 22. All games will take place at 7:30 p.m. Players must be Fitness Center members. For more information contact Matt Dudzik at 989-2050 or dudzik@calumet.purdue.edu

### SGA seeks students input on issues

The Student Government Association Survey requests student input about the issues that affect them. Students can voice their opinions by taking the SGA survey. The survey will be used to find out what issues are concerning students, and to find out information that will be very important for elections this spring. Go to www.myst-studentgov.com to take the survey.

### Writing Center offers Microsoft Word XP 101

The Writing Center (located in CLO 265) will be offering a Microsoft Word XP 101 tutorial for all PUC students. The tutorial helps facilitate a student's understanding and knowledge about Microsoft Word XP, a computer program that is utilized frequently at academic levels. The tutorial is free and will be held on Feb. 7 and 8 from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. Students need only attend one tutorial. If you have questions about the tutorial please contact The Writing Center at (219)989-2200.

### Vote or Die: The Risks of Political Participation to be presented

The Cultural Awareness Advisory Committee will sponsor the program Vote or Die: The Risks of Political Participation. The program will take place on Jan. 28 in SFLC 150 at noon.

### Society of Success and Leadership sponsors open mic night

The Society of Success and Leadership will sponsor open mic night on Wed. Feb 9, 2005 from 8-11 p.m. For more information contact societofsuccess@yahoo.com

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# Communication...it's more than talk!

**BY JEFF WAUGAMAN**
*Staff Writer*

In response to the market demands, student interests and rapid changes in the communication field, the department of communication and creative arts at PUC has recently reorganized its degree offerings by adding six new options and eight minor options to their department.

The new options include Advertising, Journalism, Media and Culture, Marketing Communication, Political Communication, and Visual Communication. In addition to minors offered in Health Communication, Theater and Technical Communication, a minor is also created in each of the new options.

"My goal is to increase the overall enrollment at undergraduate and graduate levels to approximately 500 students, which means by reorganizing our program offerings we will double the enrollment in the department," said Professor Yahya R. Kamalipour, head of the department of communication and creative arts.

Along with instituting the new options in majors and minors, the communication department has revised and updated the older programs: General Communication, Organizational Communication, Radio-TV Broadcasting, and Public Relations.

"The planning and implementation process for the changes took two years, and the new programs became effective in the fall of 2004," said Kamalipour.

He said the students that were enrolled in the department prior to fall 2004 have the option of staying with the old program or change to a new option.

The faculty members in the department of communication did a lot of research, discussion, and planning toward the reorganization process. This included comparing the department's offerings with other universities throughout the nation in order to make our communication offerings highly competitive.

The department has now focused on marketing and recruiting efforts. Enrollment in the department has already increased by 30 students from last semester and by 14 students at the graduate level. Currently over 300 undergraduates and 65 graduates are enrolled in communication.

"The biggest misconception that people have about communication is that it is all talk," said Kamalipour.

To clarify this misconception, students enrolled in one of Dr. Cathy Gillotti's communication classes, came up with the slogan "Communication...it's not just talk" which has now become the slogan for the department.

Student interested to learn more about the department and its offerings may go to:

www.calumet.purdue.edu/cca, call at 989-2393, or visit the department in Porter 118.

# Chemistry & Physics department head sets goals in first year

**BY FRANK SPRANKLE**
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Since assuming the role of head of the chemistry and physics department, Hal Pinnick has set high goals for himself, students and the university. Pinnick is looking to expand the future of the science program that will provide additional opportunities to students.

As a Purdue alumnus, Pinnick received a Bachelor of Science in 1968 and a doctorate degree four years later. He has spent the previous seven years at West Virginia State College, where he held the title as the head of the Department of Chemistry.

Now in a similar role at PUC, Pinnick plans to stay where he is. In addition to his role as department head, Pinnick also instructs an organic chemistry class at PUC.

"I don't want to be a dean; this is an enjoyable position for me. I like helping students and faculty," Pinnick said. His first goal consists of hiring three new faculty members.

Already the search has begun to hire two physicists and a chemist from a pool of candidates. These employees will begin employment in time for the fall semester.

Pinnick also plans to form a masters' program with 100 percent completion by the fall of next year.

Another goal of Pinnick includes adding a nuclear magnetic resonance machine for teaching and research. The purpose of the equipment is to determine structures in compounds. To pay for the equipment, the department has taken out two proposals with the National Science Foundation, and the total cost comes in the six figure range.

The opportunities for masters' study, along with better research tools, will be an attempt to increase student enrollment in physics and chemistry, another goal of Pinnick.

Achieving these goals seems to be optimistic in the mind of the department head.

"It's going reasonably well," said Pinnick. "We are on track to accomplish all those goals."

Since coming on-board, Pinnick has developed positive working relationships.

"Hal has been great," said Physics Coordinator Megan Pickett. "He has been supportive of what we do in physics and astronomy. As physics coordinator I feel supportive. Hal has made a wonderful addition."

Pinnick's work goes beyond his own area. He is currently working with other science department heads as they look to improve research labs in the Gyte building, which need renovation, including wider space.

"All research labs are important," said Mary Ramos, an on-campus chemistry technician. "If they are not up to date, the students don't have a good experience."

In almost half year on campus, Pinnick has been proud of what he has seen.

"The people here are very capable and that's good," said Pinnick. "For the most part, they know what to do. This is a good department and it has some very good people in it."

## Correction

In the January 18 edition of *the Chronicle*, Hearts and hands should have read Hands and Hearts. The Chronicle regrets this error.

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# No parking, no problem?

Spring semester. Where would students be without having to trudge through miles of snow, already late for classes?

But according to university mouthpieces, there should be adequate parking on campus for all students. Maybe students can have a map posted showing where this parking is located.

While there may be enough parking spots on campus and even that fact is debatable according to students who still can't find a spot, it remains that it's inconvenient for a CLO or Anderson Building classroomed student to have to hike in from the south SFLC lot, or even worse, from the parking lot near the PER building. That's a good 10-15 minute walk, compounded by the time wasted circling the CLO/Porter lot before deciding to settle for the library and beyond blacktop.

In the April 5, 2004 edition of *The Chronicle*, it was reported that the Porter faculty had opposing views of the necessity of the parking garage. Dr. Yahya Kalamipour, head of the communication and creative arts department said that the parking garage will have a negative impact on Porter's students and faculty because of the noise level and because of a construction and foot traffic increase. Other Porter residents like Mary Beth O'Connor, communication associate professor, felt that the influx of pass*ing-through students would destract from professors and* that departmental secretaries will have to stop to give directions and answer questions, along with destracting from her classes and practicum in radio and television labs. Patricia Mellon, communication department adviser, said aside from the noise and interruptions, the construction will negatively impact the Porter building's ambiance along with its inhabitants.

Yet again, the underlying issue is if the parking deck had been properly planned out, then the campus society could have given more input on where the most appropriate place for the garage would be. It could have taken up another area instead of scarce, prime real estate parking space.

If the university took some action on this problem instead of abandoning its students to the wind and snow, life could be better on all sides. There should be a notification system before students resort to the desperation of making up their own spots and getting ticketed. A few simple "Lot Full" signs at the entrances would save students tons of time and frustration. Students would then proceed directly to the library parking lot or the PER area and not be as late.

Some students have taken matters into their own hands and started carpooling with friends. While this effort is commendable, many students cannot ride with others due to conflicting schedules. It's inequitable for the university to depend on the students to manage their inadequate planning and location for the parking garage construction. And if riding together is such a great option, where's the Park and Ride shuttle? It was reported that it had "mixed results" but it was only instituted for three weeks at the beginning of the fall semester. Historically, programs need time and repetition to gain popularity. The message the university is sending is that they are not employing the option to avoid fender benders, road rage, tardiness and extreme stress. Students have been left completely in the cold.

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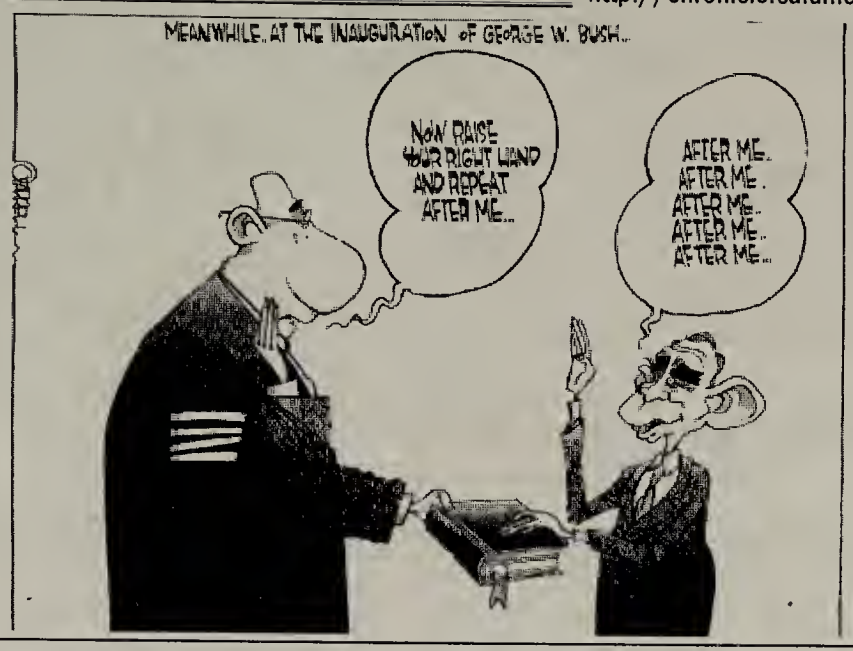
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# Tofu is terrific

**TERRIE HENDERSON**
*Senior Staff Writer*

Where has this stuff been hiding all my life? I absolutely love tofu. I spent so much time eating meat, when I could have been eating tofu instead!

What was I thinking, and why didn't anyone show me this stuff before?

Okay, honestly, I still really like chicken, and how could I ever give up walleye? But, tofu is fantastic. I understand how people can be vegetarians now. I really get it. Vegetarians have well kept secrets that enable them to successfully eat good tasting food and avoid meat.

*Well, guess what vegetarians, I am telling everyone your* secret, and its been kept a secret far too long! Tofu is fantastic.

There are many respectable reasons for people to be vegetarians, but while I commend them for being animal and health conscious, I don't think you have to be one to enjoy tofu.

I attended the wonderfully organized Vegetarian Coalition's Thanksgiving dinner, featuring a tofu turkey last semester, and while I have had the occasional tofu in my pad thai, seeing that people actually really eat this stuff outside the thai restaurant might have sparked something in me.

Last week, while at the grocery store, I saw tofu and decided, what the hell, I'll try it myself. After all, it was reasonably priced and the salmon fillets were unreasonably expensive.

Let me tell you, this stuff is fantastic in stir-fry. Cut up some Portobello mushrooms and you'll feel like you are dining at a fancy restaurant.

Try it for breakfast. Buy some and experiment. Just beware. There is soft tofu and firm tofu. I would suggest beginners start with firm tofu, as that is the stuff you use in stir-fries and other entrées you would usually use meat in.

Not to mention, this stuff is good for you too. I mean, don't get me wrong, and don't go eat the whole brick of tofu.

It's like this: tofu is to soybean as cheese is to dairy milk. Let's compare soymilk to dairy milk for a second, shall we. According to www.tofu.com, there is more protein, less calories, less fat, less carbohydrates, less sodium and more iron in soymilk than dairy milk. If that wasn't all, soy has all eight essential amino acids.

So, this is opening new doors for me in other respects too.

I can't stand milk, not in the least bit. Frankly, it grosses me out completely, but for some strange reason, I am not utterly repulsed by soymilk.

So now, someone please find me a substitute to Mountain Dew, and my life will be complete.

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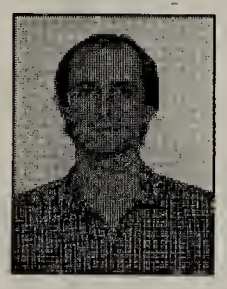

**BY DAVID TOMKO**
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The first day of class, not everyone loves them and some even hate them. But I want to talk about the worse part of first days of class, personal introductions.

These are when you have to tell the entire class who you are and a little bit about yourself. I personally hate them and several others I have talked to do also. So I came up with a few "alternate" things to say when you share some personal info with the rest of the class. These can be used to lighten up the class and break a little of the "first day of class tension," some of which I've actually used.

"Hi my name is (insert name here) and I'm a (insert major here) major and...."

"I One day plan to rule the world." I've actually used this one in a class this semester. The Instructor asked how I would do it and I actually told her I was thinking with a giant ray gun.

"I love school." Sure, say that and you'll either get evil looks or lots of laughter. I've never used this one personally, but it could be kind of fun.

"I hate school." Well, at least everyone will know you're an honest person.

"I am the president of the Students Against Parking Garage Club." That club would have the potential to become the largest student organization on campus.

"I hate talking about myself. I don't know why I hate talking about myself, I just do. This one time when I had to talk about myself in front of a gym full of people I couldn't remember what I was talking about and then everyone started looking at me and I my mouth got all dry and I started talking about my dog and then some guy was trying to get my attention and he started mouthing these words to me but I couldn't tell what he was saying but I started to laugh and then everyone started to laugh and....." Well, you get the idea.

"Think I'm in the wrong class. This isn't Theories and Practices of World Conquest?" If I decide to take over the world I'm going to need some formal training aren't I? I sure wouldn't want to look like an amateur when I decide to take over the world. Plus it would make a fun class.

Turn non fun things into something fun, that's what I always say. It also could cause the instructor to remember you better and not really expect a lot of seriousness out of you during class. This could cause the opportunity for even more fun during the semester.

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**BY TERRENCE ISBELL**
*Movie Critic*

Once again, that special time of year has come and gone. The time when candidates are chosen, votes are cast and someone emerges a winner, the others, losers that are mere shells of their former selves.

Of course I'm talking about The Golden Globe Awards, a notch below the Oscars but still way above the Grammys, in my opinion. Usually I only tune in to catch the main awards while using the in between time to play video games or watch paint dry as the celebrities read their scripted jokes and this year was no different. However, there were some very decent contenders in the categories this time around, and as the urban legend goes, the Globes are only a heartbeat away from Oscar, and though I had my own predictions, they all didn't come out as planned.

Best Original Song - Motion Picture
Accidentally in Love - "SHREK 2" (my prediction)
Old Habits Die Hard - "ALFIE" (winner)

I was sure I had "Accidentally in Love" pegged as a winner, as the rest of the songs had that whole "I'm-bland-but-since-I'm-with-an-award-caliber-movie-I'll-win-anyway" vibe going on, but the voters were just into "Alfie" more. Go figure.

Best Original Score - Motion Picture
HOWARD SHORE-"THE AVIATOR" (winner)

There was no doubt that "The Aviator" was taking this one home. A story about Howard Hughes isn't going to have anything but huge sweeping orchestras, and they proved that point.

Best Screenplay - Motion Picture
CHARLIE KAUFMAN-"ETERNAL SUNSHINE OF THE SPOTLESS MIND" (my prediction)
ALEXANDER PAYNE & JIM TAYLOR-"SIDEWAYS" (winner)

I've seen "Sideways" and "Eternal Sunshine." "Eternal Sunshine" just had a better story to me. "Sideways" has been getting all kinds of praise, but I just don't see why.

Best Director - Motion Picture
CLINT EASTWOOD-"MILLION DOLLAR BABY" (winner)
MARTIN SCORSESE-"THE AVIATOR" (my prediction)

I was positive Scorsese was taking it home for "The Aviator," but Eastwood's direction of Hilary Swank as a female boxer trying to reach the top just had that certain something. I'm not sure what it was, but it was something.

Best Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role in a Motion Picture
MORGAN FREEMAN-"MILLION DOLLAR BABY" (my prediction)
CLIVE OWEN-"CLOSER" (winner)

"Closer" was just a very cliché movie in my opinion, another romantic drama. I'm not even sure how any of the actors in it got nominated for anything period. I was as shocked as you are.

Best Performance by an Actress in a Supporting Role in a Motion Picture
CATE BLANCHETT--"THE AVIATOR" (my prediction)
NATALIE PORTMAN-"CLOSER" (winner)

See above for my thoughts on "Closer."

Best Performance by an Actor in a Motion Picture - Musical or Comedy
JAMIE FOXX-"RAY" (winner)

I was a little nervous about this one. I thought it would come down to Jim Carrey in "Eternal Sunshine" or Jamie Foxx. But Foxx's imitation of Ray Charles was pretty much flawless, so it goes to him.

Best Performance by an Actress in a Motion Picture - Musical or Comedy
ANNETTE BENING-"BEING JULIA" (winner)
RENÉE ZELLWEGER-"BRIDGET JONES: THE EDGE OF REASON" (my prediction)

I'm not really sure why I thought Bridget Jones was the better character. She just seemed to have more fun that that Julia character.

Best Performance by an Actor in a Motion Picture - Drama
LEONARDO DICAPRIO-"THE AVIATOR" (winner) (my prediction)

I think DiCaprio deserved this one. After all the insults he took for starring in "Titanic," I think the man should get something for his trouble.

Best Performance by an Actress in a Motion Picture - Drama
HILARY SWANK-"MILLION DOLLAR BABY" (winner)
UMA THURMAN--KILL BILL VOL. 2 (my prediction)

I thought Uma was going to be a lock for "Kill Bill," but those crafty Globe voters pulled a fast one...again.

Best Motion Picture - Drama
"THE AVIATOR" (winner)
"HOTEL RWANDA" (my prediction)

I liked both "The Aviator" and "Hotel Rwanda," but I liked "Rwanda" a little more. It's hard to go wrong with DiCaprio and Scorsese teamed up, though. The entire thing was pretty random, but each movie had its own niche, and by the time the real deal AKA the Academy Awards come around, finding a whole new niche is what it's going to come down to, no question about it.

# Oops! Gwen Stefani did it again

**BY TERRIE HENDERSON**
*Senior Staff Writer*

Wait a minute; did that album say Gwen Stefani or Brittany Spears? Sadly, yet again, Stefani has continued to move more blatantly into the realm of teenage pop music and taken yet another step away from the ska-punk style that No Doubt's original fans loves so much.

Stefani's solo album, "Love, Angel, Music, Baby," left me wondering, yet again, what could cause an artist to change their style so much? It is hard to say if Stefani is trying to find her own style and maturity as an artist or if she has simply sold out.

Don't get me wrong, Stefani is a fun artist, no doubt. Her amazing voice is unique and her style is always amusing, colorful and vibrant.

Tragically, this album is much more like "Rock Steady" than "Tragic Kingdom."

Where's the Gwen who belted out, "I'm just a girl?" and inspired a new wave of feminist thought to flow over an emerging generation. Where is the Stefani that helped Bradley Nowell, another wonderful talent, from Sublime on the song, "Saw Red"?

How did Stefani get caught up in the "Tragic Kingdom" of pop music?

Songs on the new disc, like "Hollaback Girl," "Rich Girl," "Bubble Pop Electric," "Crash" and "Harajuku Girls" are reminiscent of high school pep sessions. You could stomp, clap and dance to this style for hours, if that's your thing. Do not expect to find any meaning behind these songs, because the lyrics are lacking.

Getting a little help from the legendary artist Prince on "Long Way to Go," couldn't even save the lyrics.

As an example of using words that merely rhyme and trying to make a song out of it, Stefani and Prince sing in unison, "It's beyond Martin Luther/Upgrade computer."

Okay, so Luther and computer rhyme, but what does upgrading a computer have to do with eliminating racism? It cannot even be classified as a poor attempt at a metaphor.

The content to most of these songs are sexual in nature, of course - after all this is mainstream music we are talking about here - but she sings about boys picking her up from her house, angst about them meeting her father, and making out in back seats of cars and drive-in movies.

Maybe it's just me, but I think Stefani is old enough to date on her own terms without getting dad's approval on who picks her up on Saturday night, don't you think? Not to mention Gavin Rossdale, her husband of over two years, probably has a lot to say about Stefani's making out patterns.

Let Ashley Simpson sing about teenage dating patterns. It is time for Stefani to return from Saturn and let her style mature.

There are still subtle traces of Stefani's original style, but album by album, she seems to be phasing out her original style more and more. Those of us desperately wanting to hear Stefani singing The

Vandals' "Oi to the World" are going to have to find solace in her earlier material.

This is good news for fans of Stefani's "Rock Steady" sound. If you liked "Hella Good" and "Hey Baby" you will probably enjoy her solo album.

So on "Sunday Morning," when you're heading to the gym, grab "Love, Angel, Music, Baby," as it is definitely workout music material.

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# Internet band worth surfing

BY MICHAEL FINNEY
*Staff Writer*

New Year's Eve on Bank Street in New London, Connecticut was cold. The streets and air were thin but alive with the groove of Incognito Sofa Love, a band made up of mixes from their influences, ranging from rock to jazz, funk, blues…you name it. ISL's instrumental duties fall to Adam Demorest, saxophone and vocals, Rob Jensen, guitar and vocals, Justin Grabel, bass and vocals and Mike Winslow on percussion. Each musician had been playing the local scene on the East Coast for quite sometime before coming together.

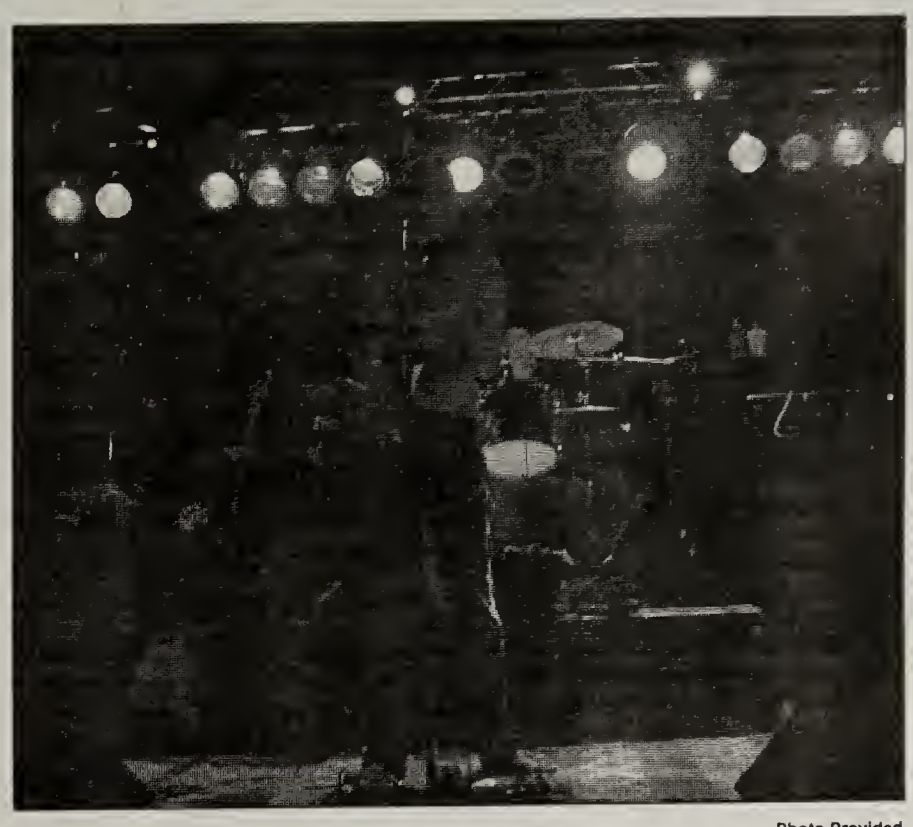
Tonight the band celebrated their fifth year together. Many people showed up to honor the band's lasting longevity. After Matt Gouette and Catfish finished their sets, it was getting close to midnight. Incognito Sofa Love readied their equipment and took position. At the first stroke of the New Year the band threw it down. The four played old favorites for their fans like "Fish" and "Man Made Things" and new songs such as "Responsibility" and "Pour Me Your Love." The last two are set to appear on the bands currently untitled new record due for early spring.

I sat down with Winslow and Jensen from the band to ask them a few questions and to listen in on some new music. The band has been working since November at a studio in Rhode Island and plans to finish the 11 tracks this January. Four songs are fully instrumental; the group recorded additional music but decided against including it. Incognito Sofa Love is co-producing the album with Derrick Martin, engineer and owner of the UFO Sounds Laboratories. "Responsibility" comes across very experimental, a mysterious sax melody is smothered with a chorus effect. As the song was moving on Jensen commented, "It's on the way to epic…on the yellow brick road."

The tracks are recorded live as a full band, then solo or vocal overdubs are added if needed. Occasionally some parts are doubled while some percussion may be added to thicken up the sound. Also worth mentioning are the three songs being produced with Fuzz, guitarist and vocals from the funky and hip band Deep Banana Blackout. Fuzz contributes to "Pour Me Your Love," "Red Light" and "Aw Schnap."

Last September ISL appeared on the Insomni-Act segment of World News Now on ABC News. Throughout the autumn since that appearance the band has frequently visited the subways of New York City, in part with a program that gets them set up in the tunnels below. Incognito Sofa Love plans to tour this year in support of their upcoming record Dates will be available online.

Although they have not released an official album, check out live audio, video, pictures and some robot fighting movies visit their website at www.sofalove.net.



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**Incognito Love Sofa frontman and saxophonist Adam Demorest rocks out a New Year's Eve ballad for an East Coast celebration.**

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**UPDATE: Wireless Computer Access on Campus**

Congratulations to **Rhonda Long**, a junior in Pre-Med, for suggesting the name **CalNet** as the permanent name for Purdue Calumet's wireless network.

Individuals who set up wireless connectivity during the pilot project last semester will need to update their systems. Assistance in this process can be obtained in Gyte 133, Powers 218, the Main Lab or at www.calumet.purdue.edu/wireless.

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# Peregrines withstand Saints final march

**BY DAVE THOMPSON**
*Sports Editor*

PER Building - With one minute left in regulation on Wednesday Jan. 19, the Peregrines were up 82-77, but do not tell them they had the victory completely in hand.

"I was still worried because they were hitting open shots," said freshman guard Steve Polak.

Up to that point, the Peregrines (8-14, 2-1 in the Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference as of Jan. 21) withstood every second half attempt by the St. Francis Saints (1-22, 0-3 in the CCAC as of Jan. 21) to take the lead and possibly steal a victory.

While the Saints could have easily given up, they did not as the Saints made one last push in regulation to either win the game or force overtime.

In the end the Saints fell just short, losing to the Peregrines 88-87.

"We won by the slimmest of margins," Assistant Coach Butch Shiplov said.

St. Francis began their final minute surge with a basket by Jon Womack with 48.1 seconds left to make the score 82-79. Polak was then fouled with 46.3 seconds left, sending him to the line to shoot two free throws.

Polak converted both free throws, pushing the Peregrine lead to 84-79. Womack hit another basket for the Saints closing the gap 84-81.

Thomas Mosley was fouled immediately after Womack's basket and proceeded to make both free throws giving the Peregrines an 86-81 lead. With 26.9 seconds left in regulation, six-foot-five senior guard/forward Allen Matuszewski would bury a three-point shot to cut the lead to 86-84.

Polak was fouled again with 18.5 seconds left in regulation. Polak again came through in the clutch, as he pushed the Peregrine lead to 88-84. But then Polak made what could have been the crucial mistake of the game.

Polak picked up his fifth foul and fouled out of the game with 8.8 seconds left, fouling sophomore guard Eric Epps on a three-point shot attempt. Epps converted on all three of his free throw attempts to make the score 88-87.

"It was a stupid foul," said Polak. "I couldn't avoid it.

Senior center Marquice Woods would then be fouled by Brandon Krug with six seconds left. Woods missed both free throws, giving the Saints one final chance for victory.

Epps drove down the court and launched a last second three-point shot that hit the back of the rim as time expired, thus preserving the victory for the Peregrines.

After the game, Woods was relieved about the victory.

"We won the game," said Woods. "We did what we had to do to win."

Interim head coach Mike James hoped the Peregrines would make enough plays in the final minute to hold off the Saints.

"We did enough to hang on, I guess," said James. "We have got to get better."

The next home game for the Peregrines is Saturday, Jan. 29 as the Peregrines square off against Robert Morris College (16-3, 2-0 in the CCAC as of Jan. 21). Tip-off will be at 1 p.m.

# Lady Peregrines pluck first conference win

**BY CARL HUIZENGA**
*Staff Writer*

CHICAGO - Fresh off two defeats from Olivet Nazarene and St. Xavier to open Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference play, the Lady Peregrines needed a win to stay in the title hunt.

The Lady Peregrines (11-10, 1-2 in the CCAC as of Jan. 19) got that win on Jan. 18 at Illinois Tech (7-13, 1-2 in the CCAC as of Jan. 19) defeating the Scarlet Hawks 65-52.

Head Coach Dennis Smith and his team had a plan before the game to stop Angie Brown of Illinois Tech.

"IIT has the highest scoring shooter (Brown) in the conference and we held her to zero points all the way until the last four minutes," said Coach Smith.

Brown would finish the game with eight points.

Freshman guard/forward Linsey Smith scored 18 points to lead the Lady Peregrines. Junior Sarah Vaughn added 14 points while shooting 50 percent from the field.

Despite the victory, Coach Smith was not completely happy about the performance of his Lady Peregrines as he thought the team needed to make better decisions on the court.

"We have no guard play," said Coach Smith. "We have to play excellent defense to play this offense.

Coach Smith said the team needed to improve ball movement up the court. Another area addressed was field goal percentage for the game, as the Lady Peregrines only shot 31.3 percent from the field and 51.6 percent from the free throw line. In contrast, Illinois Tech shot 31.8 percent from the field and 71.4 percent from the free throw line.

However, freshman forward/center Stephanie Peacock thinks the Lady Peregrines are headed on the right track.

"This (game) gives us confidence after the two losses, this will pick up our heads," Peacock said.

After coming back from St. Francis (Ill.) on Saturday Jan. 22, the Lady Peregrines have three games this week. The Lady Peregrines travel to IU South Bend on Tuesday, Jan. 25 for a 7 pm EST tip-off, host Trinity Christian College on Thursday, Jan. 27 for a 7 pm tip-off in the PER building, and travel to the Hammond Civic Center on Saturday, Jan. 29 to play Calumet College St. Joseph in an 11 am tip-off.

# Spring Fling 2005 coming

**BY WILLIAM LINGVAY**
*Staff Writer*

It is not too soon to start thinking about the Spring Fling 5K race.

Originally started by the Total Fitness Center in spring 2001, this year's Spring Fling is scheduled for Saturday, April 30. In addition to the race, the TFC is planning two seminars for people interested in preparation to run or walk the 5K.

"It was started because we wanted to help out students and employees of the university," said John Bobalik, exercise physiologist at the TFC.

Bobalik will host the seminar "Training to Run or Walk the Spring Fling 5K: A 12-Week Blue Print" at 7:00 p.m. in room K-129 this Wednesday, Jan. 26 in the PER Building. Admission to the seminar is free, but seating is limited.

The seminar will focus on a basic training program and a checklist of things to consider, such as what type of shoes to wear and different types of strength training. Bobalik will discuss training programs for walkers and three different levels of runners.

"The training program is offered as a progression from people who want to just finish the race to those who have specific performance goals set," Bobalik said.

Bobalik will hold another seminar for those interested in running in the Spring Fling on Wednesday, April 13. This seminar is titled "Final Tune-Up for the Spring Fling 5K: What to do with 2 Weeks to go."

In that seminar, Bobalik will discuss information needed by participants as they finish training for the Spring Fling, such as what to eat the night before and the morning of the race.

Other topics such as dressing for the weather conditions, what to expect at the starting line, how to pace oneself during the race, warming up properly, what time to get to the race, how to get off to a good start in the race and how to cool down properly after the race will also be discussed.

To register for Spring Fling or the seminars, contact the TFC at 219-989-2175 or at 1-800-HI-PURDUE, ext. 2175.

## Peregrine Quick Strike

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Jan. 15 - Peregrines 73, Illinois Tech 49

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